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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## SAPD ACCEPTING TOYS & APPLICATIONS FOR BLUE SANTA PROGRAM

The San Antonio Police Department is announcing the beginning of its toy collection drive for the 2005 Blue Santa Program. Beginning November 1, 2005, all San Antonio Police sub stations will serve as drop off locations for any new, unwrapped toys to help needy families with children, through the holiday season. Each substation will have a collection box to hold the gifts being donated. Corporations and community groups with larger donations, but have no way of transporting their gifts can make arrangements with Blue Santa's Elves in Blue to get the toys to the warehouse.

Applications will be available beginning November 1, 2005, for those wishing to submit their names as recipients of the Blue Santa Program. Individuals must apply in person at the nearest police substation. For further information on the Blue Santa Program or substation nearest your location, please contact the Blue Santa Hotline at (210) 207-7175.

Below is a list of area Substation drop-off locations:

North Patrol	Central Patrol	East Patrol
13030 Jones Maltsberger	515 S. Frio	3635 E. Houston
207-8126	207-7410	207-7781
South Patrol	West Patrol	Prue Patrol
South Patrol 711 W. Mayfield	West Patrol 7000 Culebra	<b>Prue Patrol</b> 5020 Prue Rd